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1. FOREIGN MINISTER VIGNES OF ARGENTINA SPOKE APRIL 20 TO
OASGA IN OPTIMISTIC TONE AND FRIENDLY TOWARD THE U.S. THOUGH
HE ALSO USED THE OCCASION TO SPELL OUT AREAS OF BOTH
DISSATISFACTION AND PARTICULAR INTEREST. VIGNES LIMITED TO A
SINGLE SENTENCE HIS VIEW THAT "EACH NATION CAN TRADE FREELY
AND EXPORT THE PRODUCTS OF ITS OWN COMPANIES TO ALL COUNTRIES
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OF THE WORLD". HE CALLED THE CUBA SANCTIONS "ANACHRONISTIC

AND UNREAL". HE AVERRED THAT THE RECENT MFM IN WASHINGTON
"OPENS A NEW PERSPECTIVE TO WHICH WE ASSIGN GREAT IMPORTANCE,
AS IT ALLOWS AN AUTHENTIC HOPE FOR CHANGE."

2. VIGNES CALLED FOR AN END TO COLONIALISM IN THE
HEMISPHERE, EMPHASIZING ARGENTINA'S CLAIM TO THE MALVINAS.
"WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE UK AUTHORITIES WILL TAKE NOTE OF
THIS INTOLERABLE SITUATION SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO SEEK
A SOLUTION ON THE PATH THAT WE HAVE DETERMINED.
BUT IF THE MOMENT COMES, THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA WILL
NOT HESITATE TO CHANGE ITS ATTITUDE, FOR REGAINING THE
MALVINAS ISLANDS IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE UNITED EFFORTS OF
MY NATION."

3. VIGNES WAS CRITICAL OF THE RESULTS OF THE LABORS OF
THE OAS SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO REFORM THE INTER-AMERICAN
SYSTEM AND SUGGESTED LIMITING ITS MANDATE OR BEING MORE
SPECIFIC IN DEFINING IT. HE CALLED FOR GREATER OAS
EFFORTS IN SUCH FIELDS AS NATURAL RESOURCES, TECHNOLOGY,
ENVIRONMENT AND TRADE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS. HE ALSO
CALLED ON THE US TO INCREASE ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE MAR
DEL PLATA EDUCATION/SCIENCE SPECIAL PROJECT FUND.
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